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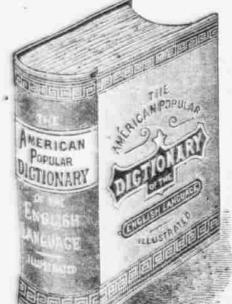
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LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

A Bonnet Sonnet.

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In style and material, texture and hue, And somebody's fancy is ever wide ranging, Inventing, of ccurse, some atrocity new. Some styles are quite hateful and others de-

In broad-trimmed and narrow-brimmed round-topped and flat,

But the latest invention is certainly frightful The conical, sugar-loaf, six-story hat. -Some ville Journal.

A Woman With a Mission.

Rev. C. H. Spurgeon says: I have heard that a woman who has "a mission" makes a poor wife or a bad mother; this is very possible and at the same time very lamentable; but the mission I urge s not at all of this sort. Dirty rooms, slatternly gowns, and children with unwashed faces are swift witnesses against the 'sincerity of those who keep other vineyards and neglect their own. I have no faith in that woman who talks of grace and glory abroad and uses no soap at home.

Unique Dinner Plates.

The wife of Senator Harrison, of Indiana, has decorated eighteen china dinner plates in a novel manner, which according to a correspondent times just as they called for them. At was wholly her own idea. On each she has painted a bird of a different species, and on the border of the plate a verse in old English text of poetry written by one of the best authors about that particular kind of a bird. This not only has the merit of original nality, and so excites the interest and admiration of those who have seen the plates, but has the further advantage as every verse is one which has been little quoted, of suggesting topics of conversation at a dinner party when the plates are used, which is an ines timable boon on such occasions. Mre-Harrison says she was surprised to find how much good poetry had been written about birds, which alluded to or described so many different species. She says she found verses enough to serve for another dozen plates entirely lifferent from those she has finished.

Gone into a Crazy Quilt. 'I tell you they were gorgeous at fairs, those silk scarfs and handker chiefs," said a newly married man to a reporter, "and now that I am a married man I cannot afford to replace them by buying others."

"What has become of them?" que-

ried the reporter. "I left them all in my trunk, any aumber of them; neckties and handkerchiefs which cost me all the way from seventy-five cents to \$2.50. But they have all disappeared, and recent ly I summoned up courage enough to speak to my better half about then. 'D n't you know,' she said, 'that beau tiful crazy quilt which I am work ing on? I was out of silk pieces and I looked up your old trash and cut up all your scarfs and silk handkerchiefs, and I tell you some of them are lovely patterns. I knew you wouldn't care to use them any longer.' I am now obliged to hustle around with two or three black string ties," continued the sufferer, "and being the head of a family I don't believe that I will ever be the possessor of any more gorgeous scarfs and kerchiefs; but I have the consolation of knowing that in three or four years from now, if my wife's patience holds out, I will have the pleasure of knowing that a crazy quilt is locked up in the bureau to be exhibited now and then to callers and tea parties.

Marriage in Jaya.

A letter from Sourabarga, Java, to the New York Graphic says: As a small party of us were sitting on the wide piazza of our dwelling house in Java early one evening, our attention was called to sounds of Malay music evimen (Javanese) marching along to the music, and four abreast. In the second row there were five. The centre one was covered by a large ambrella. I inquired why this man was so honored, and was told that he was to be married. The next day I was taken to see the house where the oride lived and where they were mak ng grand preparations for the mar :iage. They were constructing alarge and covered platform of bamboo for the accommodation of the guests and the Malay band of music. On the succeeding day we heard the same performers and saw a longer proces sion than the first one. At the head unassuming of evening dresses, but are of this procession came two wooden very pretty and exceedingly expensive. figures (man and woman) about eight feet high. These were hollow, so that boys could enter and operate to give them motion. Next behind them were the musicians; then an open carriage drawn by two ponies covered with flowers and variously colored papers cut up in patterns. Inside sat the bride and groom. The bride was

decked with flowers and jeweis, and her face head and dress were conpowder. A number of carriages followed the party with relatives and friends who were also adorned with flowers, jewels, etc. On the third day I was invited to attend the wedding, so we walked down to the bride's house. There we found the bamboo platform occupied by a band of music and an exhibition of marionettes, which personated characters in legends of the Javanese people. The hadji, or native priest, was conducting this novel show which took hours to go through. I, however, was more anxious to see the bride, and accordingly was ushered into the principal room. It was a large square apartment, the front being opened by four large double doors. In one of the remote corners on the stone floor was seated on a handsome mat the bride elect, with downcast eyes, and in the adjacent corner sat the bridegroom-The bride was fanned by two little girls and the groom by two boys. In the centre of the floor their feast was spread. The festivities lasted through the night, and refreshments were abundantly served to the guests in and

about the house at any time and all intervals the dancing girls were introduced and the tam-tams for their dance music. At the break of day the groom claimed his wife and escorted her to his own house. They then had a pro-

cession similar to the first one, except that the bride's presents were seen carried in front by coolies. At the groom's house festivities were continued according to the length of his purse. It often happens that these people use all the money they have on such occasions. They are improvident and ordinarily live on very small sums.

Fashion Notes.

maintenance.

optaining easily the little they need for

Spangled fans are again in fashion. The favorite shades for Suede glove are mushroom browns.

An article with Oriental designs or colors is fashionable. New lace parasol covers are made in

the accordeon style. Ropes of pearl and other beads are

sold for hat trimmings. Even girls of sweet sixteen wear

little Fanchons and capotes. Orange, ochre and terra cotta are the colors most in demand in silk stock-

Brocaded grenadine can be had now of all colors outlined with self-colored

Silk canvas and chenille openwork Jersey bodices ere imported for evening New Moliere vests of jet beaded lace

are made over a lining of red, yellow or white silk. A pretty hat is of grey satin braid

faced with deep red surah and trimmed with wild roses. Valenciennes lace is a more dressy trimming on Swiss muslin dresses

than the Oriental lace. A new light grey cloth dress, made with a polonaise, is heavily braided

with silver on the vest and panels on Fashion demands either immense floral designs on dress materials or else

minute dots, tiny blocks, check or hair Muslin bonnets and roand hats, tinted and white, with full cap crowns and

brims of plaited lace, are pretty novelties in millinery. Gowns of shot glace silk are made up

in combination with velvet striped silk. and worn with a mantle of velvet of the color of the stripe. The old-time "pinking" with notched

and scolloped edges is revived for the flounces of chameleon silks that change from one color to another. Very beautiful Venetian embroidery in pure white or tinted floss silk is used

on summer costumes for panels, vests, skirt fronts and flounces. The newest linen collars are cut to fit very high, and are fastened close about the throat with a gem-set collar

button of hammered gold. Red satin or Turkey twill parasols are still in vogue, but they only look well with some very dark toilet in which there is some color relievance.

White Chinese silks embroidered in gray and blue are the most quiet and Dresses of black seving silk grena-

dine are profusely trinmed with escurial lace flounces and have a vest, and a petticoat front placed over red satin. The Tam O'Shanter cap is the most popular head wear for tennis players,

as it is not only becoming to all fresh,

young faces, but is never an annoy-

ance to the player.

Ruby and pale pink, gold and russet brown, pearl gray and crimson, togethpletely covered with yellow ochre er with every shade of yellow, are among the prevailing colors in change-

> ent gauzes or gold braid, silk chenille or bead-work in diamond patterns work designs which form the crown, are fashionable.

> The most elegant costumes imported from the atelier of Worth and other Parisian dressmakers this season have been of black satin draped and covered with wide flounces and scarfs of real Chantilly lace, and finished with long-looped sashes and bows of broad velvet ribbon.

Full Moliere vests of solid embroidery, which meet with favor this season, are held down at the waist-line by half girdles of ribbons. These are buff, bright peppy-red or blue, and are sewed in at the under-arm seams, and tied over the vest in a cluster of long loops and ends.

Gray tulle, gray crape and gray silk muslin in pale pearly shades form many pretty Fanchon and capote bonnets, worn with gray taffeta glace silk carriage and reception costumes. The bonnet is then trimmed with violets, roses, or forget-me-nots put on in bunches, according to the color with which the silk is shot.

Another Great World's Fair.

1884, will be worth going to see. It homes. With no education, they are already promises to surpass the World's strangers to the interests and affairs Fair of London in size and the Philadelphia Centennial of 1876 in variety of exhibits. The monster building ly content. will be 1,378 feet long by 905 feet wide. The largest structure ever neretolore was the London building of 1882; that contained 1,400,- and fine toilets to their friends. Living 000 square feet. The main building at a life of ease and indolence, they are New Orleans will contain 1,650,000 never supposed to soil their hands with sq. ifeet. It will be 60 feet high, labor or rack their brains with thoughtwith a tower 115 feet, and will When they toil, their sole occupation is have a music hall in the centre which to beautify themselves. When young will hold 11,000 auditors. The plat | they are well made; their hands are soft, form will accommodate 600 musicians | white and supple, and they might be Of course, there will be a horticultural likened to the budding flower which hall, art gallery, and ornamental gar- opens at the first rays of the morning dens; but the chief interest will be in sun. Their complexions are white and the cotton exhibits. Indeed, this fair their cheeks tinged with rose; their do it easily." is regarded as the centennial of the eyes are sometimes blue, but that is cotton industry in this country. The exceptional; they are generally black United States to-day yields 85 per as jet, and when fully open are of cent. of all the merchantable cotton in almond form and full of sensibility he world. In 1784 the production of and delicate sweetness. They never cotton in the United States was mere- conceal them and gallant men often ly experimental, and a few bags were confess that they have interfered with shipped for the first time to England, their repose of mind. It is pleasing whose total trade in cotton was then to speak of these beauties, for they 11,250,000 pounds consumed and man- have few to admire even this much of ufactured. Great Britain now has their comeliness. The houses, many 40,000,000 spindles and the United of them, are elegant, and so construct-States makes 2,150,000 yards of cloth ed as to completely conceal the hidden yearly. The first cotton factory in the glances of the fair, who are doomed to United States was built in Rhode Is- eternal isolation when without a veil, and in 1791, at which time the pro- as no woman can be seen lawfully by duction of cotton throughout the any other man than her husband. She world was 490,250,000 pounds. In is forbidden the homage that all nature 1833 the United States produced demands. Controlled by a powerful 6,949,756 bales, or 3,405,070,410 hand and bound irrevocably by cuspounds, of which we consumed 1,117,- tom, she is compelled not only to kiss 838,363 pounds and exported the hand of her tyrant, but to hug the 2,291,313,992 pounds. To help this chain which manacles her. enterprise, Congress has advanced \$1,000,000, and the subscriptions will dinary on the part of the men, inasswell the amount to \$2,100,000. This exhibition will be a great thing for the beautiful objects of nature; they will Western buyers is always on hand. country, for it will show that cotton is watch the play of birds for hours, and Lach importer to whom fruit has been King, at least so far as the South is think it a crime to disturb or deprive consigned opens two boxes as samples concerned. This great fair will con- them of the free airthey breathe. Yet and the contents of these are over tinue for six months. -- Demorest.

The Contagion of Scarlet Fever.

In 1862 a case occurred in a New York boarding-house. As soon as the child was able to be moved it was taken away, and the rooms occupied by the family were thoroughly cleansed. In three days afterward another family moved into the same apartments, and in two days a child belonging to the latter was taken with the disease. Dr. Flint then related the case of Miss G., the daughter of a deceased New York physician, who had been wellknown and highly esteemed in the community. Having entered the Protestant sisterhood of St. Barnabas, she was called upon to nurse a child suffering from scarlet fever; and after she had finished her attendance on the child, she hung up her clothing to air for several weeks. She then gave away the waist of the dress that she trunk. It was in February, 1870, that she nursed the scarlet fever patient, being in attendance for ten days. In January, 1871, she were the skirt for the first time, and one week afterward was herself attacked

monary cedema, which proved fatal. The lesson of these cases, therefore, was the necessity for effective disinfection in all cases of scarlet fever .-Medical News.

acreage in India is 26,488,000 acres.

with acute diffused nephritis and pul-

HAREM LIFE IN EGYPT.

Childish Pastime.

General Loring throws as much Skeleton bonnets made of transpar. light as circumstances permit, in his recent book on Egypt; upon life in the harem. One can naturally see that showing the coiffure through the open | from the peculiar manner in which marriages are made in Egypt there is Seeking to give mankind a nobler worth, little domestic life of the sort we understand.

"The ladies constituting the families of the late Khedive, Ishmail Pashaand of his numerous sons, are in many respects an exception to a general rule and manners. While they have, in many respects, European customs and habits, yet they are modified by restraints of seclusion; and they share with their sisters of all classes the odious law of the prophet that they should be held prisoners under a rigid surveillance of guardians especially prepared for the unholy office.

"Statements are made that serious misunderstandings often occur among them in consequence of this oppression was accustomed until thirteen years of still house. age to visit the opera without a veilceration, and that she lamented in tears her unfortunate fate. Marrying soon after seclusion, she lived but a few months. Universally the Moslem The great World's Fair, that is to women know nothing of life, being open in New Orleans on December 1, simply pieces of furniture in their of their masters; decked out with fine dresses and jewelry, they are sensuous-

ing melon sools, cating candy, smoking takes to purchase one. cigarettes and showing their jewelry

much as they pretend to feel delight in they incarcerate the loveliest and most beautiful of all the Creator's works, and think it a great favor to permit woman's enjoyment of a flowering shrub in some hidden recess."

A Norwegian Superstition.

When the Norwegian farmer's wife their checks are as good as wheat. begins her dairying in the summer, sweet cake, in the making of which sails. every maiden must assist, and a can of A box of oranges landed in Brooklyn ale is added to the feast for Nipen. In , has cost, everything included, \$2. It the morning it is gone, and the far- brings from \$1 to \$5, according to its mer's wife is sure that her cows will condition and the state of the market. give down rich milk, that her lambs The ocean freight cost is 30 cents. will not perish in untimely storms. The seas on here for oranges lasts from and that her good man's boat on the rearly December until early June. Then had worn, and put the skirt away in a | fiord will bring him safely home. She | the dried fruit trade begins. This lasts has given "hostages" to Nipen.

Crushed Again. "I understand that the young man

who comes to see you has the reputation of being quite a masher," said a father to his blooming daughter. "Why, pa, I am surprised that you should-"

"Ob, I have no fault to find, but if he is a masher, you might take him into the kitchen at night to mash some The estimate of cultivable wheat of the water bugs that are overrunning the most - Somerville Journal,

The Three Maids.

From Temple Bar. Three maids went forth the lovely world to

Three maids, their names Faith, Hope and

Such with her separate mission to unfold,

Three maids went wand'ring o'er the weary

Naught would they take; to give was their in-

Riches beyond the world in their extent.

Three maids returned; footsore, and faint and

Heavy at heart where east they had been glad-For all their gifts in this great world of sin, in their accomplishments, education Few would accept, and none would take them

HUMOROUS.

The first vehicle ever made-The whirligig of time.

There is nearly always a bustle in dry-goods stores.

A trotting match should always be described in a racy manaer.

A revenue officer entered the store There is no doubt that the beautiful of a merchant who never advertised, young daughter of the Khedive, who and arrested him because he kept a

A health journal says you ought to rebelled when the time came for incar. take three quarters of an hour to your dinner. It would be advisable to add some meat and vegetables.

> A receipt is going the rounds of the press for tanning hides with salt and alum; but our friend John says his schoolmaster taught him years ago that gil of birch was better.

A new article in feminine headgear is called the "frog bonnet." The hus, band is supposed to jump when he "They amuse themselves in crunch- learns the size of the greenback it A lecturer is travelling through the

> West enlightening the people on the subject of "Powder." Some one should suggest to him that powder is a dangerous subject to throw light "I am troubled with cold feet," said

Fenderson, "I always sleep in my stockings in Winter." Glancing at Fenderson's number thirteens, Foggs remarked: "I should think you might

In order to get rid of the smell of fresh paint in a room, place a few slices of onion in the middle of the room. Then you will want to get rid of the smell of the onions; this can be ' done by putting on another coat of

New York's Foreign Fruit Trade.

It is said that twenty-four steam ships are kept busy by one firm in bringing fruit from Mediterranean ports to New York. Twelve of them are passenger vessels, the greater parts of whose cargoes are compose of fruit. The other twelve are freight vessels, whose westward cargoes are composed wholly of fruit. The cargoes are discharged at a Brooklyn pier, near the Wall street ferry. The firm hast finshed an extensive salesroom, which is said to constitute the most extensiva fruit market in this country. Sales "This despotism is the more extraor- take place at noon on the day after a cargo has arrived. A crowd of importers, brokers, grocers, venders, and

> hauled by prospective buyers. When the auctioneer mounts his stand in the salesroom, men who look like tramps jostle their foshionably clad fellow bidders, and when they raise their hands the auctioneer is quick to eatch their bids, for he knows

Many of the purchased goods are and the herds have been driven to the hurried off to Chicago, St. Louis, and upland pastures, she takes special other Western shipping points in repains in making the first cheese, for it frigerator cars. In the steamships the is for Nipen, the old Norse wood and boxes of fruit are piled so that air can water spirit. The offering is taken in circulate freely all about them, and the dusk of evening to a high, bare strong currents of air are kept up rock, and left there. Sometimes a through the holds by means of wind

> until December. It is said that 1,000,-000 boxes of raisins are often received in one month.-New York Sun.

No Danger.

Said a nervous visitor to an Austin lady, at whose house she was making

"Are you not afraid that some of your children will fall into that eistern n your yard?"

"Oh, no," was the complacent reply; anyhow, that's not the cistern we get our drinking water from Siflings.